

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

By this Preliminary Amendment, the application has been amended to conform with U.S. practice, the cross-reference to related applications has been inserted on page 1, an Abstract has been provided and claims 1-18 have been amended to improve their form and to delete the multiple dependencies. No new matter has been introduced. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

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--ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a pallet truck comprising a lifting device, which is mounted on the axle of two wheels, and having a supporting frame, which is mounted on two rollers, provided with two bearers and is displaceably connected to the lifting device. The lifting device has a lifting pump mounted on a console which is placed on a support that is, in turn, mounted on the axle extending between both wheels. A rod is mounted on the lifting pump, and the lifting pump has a piston rod whose head projects upwardly out of the housing of the lifting pump. A roller is mounted at the rear end of each bearer, and the bearers are connected to one another at the front end via a crossbar. A holding frame having a socket is provided on the front end of the bearers and is mounted in an articulated manner on the head of the piston rod. A two-armed linkage is mounted on both sides of the console. The front arms of this linkage are connected to the console and the rear rod of the linkage is connected to the allocated roller each of which being connected in a manner that permits them to pivot. According to the invention, the pallet truck can be disassembled into two equally heavy parts, and the disassembled parts can be reassembled to form the pallet truck.--